

**GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS
CONFERENCE CALL MEETING
June 22, 2005**

A Conference Call Meeting of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians was held on June 22, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 100, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following members were present:

Lula Hutchinson, RD, LD, Chair – 11:30 a.m.
Tracey Neely, MS, RD, LD
Jessie Wright, MS, LD, RD, Cognizant
Joan Fischer, PhD, RD, LD

Others Present:

Lee Tracey, Executive Director, Anita Martin, Executive Director, Michael K. Floyd, Esq., Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General and Yvonne LeSane, Board Secretary.

Ms. Monroe discussed her memorandum of May 12, 2005 to the Committee indicating possible changes to the proposed rule.

Ms. Hutchinson joined the meeting, via conference call, at 11:30 a.m. A quorum of the Board was declared at 11:40 a.m.

Rule 157-2.04

Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these rules do not impose regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-14.

Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-14 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. §§50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of Dietetics.

Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to consider for adoption the proposed rule amendment during its July 29, 2005 conference call beginning at 10:15 a.m.

Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to post the Notice of Intent to Adopt and Notice of Hearing for the proposed rule change to rules 157-2-.04 for no less than 30 days prior to July 29, 2005 when the Board will hold a hearing on the rule and intent to adopt the proposed rule change as follows:

**RULES OF THE
GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS
157-2-.04 RENEWAL OF LICENSE AND PENALTIES, AND REINSTATEMENT. AMENDED.**

157-2-.04 Renewal of License and Penalties, and Reinstatement. Amended.

(1) Renewal of License and Fees.

(a) A license issued by the Board shall expire on March 31st of even numbered years. The license may be renewed upon payment of the renewal fee and completion of the renewal application, provided all requirements have been met.

(b) The license of any licensee who fails to apply for renewal by March 31st of the renewal year ~~will be deemed lapsed and an application for reinstatement will be required.~~ may be renewed by June 30th of that year by the payment of the current renewal fee plus an additional late renewal fee. See fee schedule. Practicing with an expired license is prohibited by law and practice during this period may result in disciplinary action for unlicensed practice.

(c) Each licensee applying for renewal must satisfactorily complete any continuing professional education requirements established by the Board.

(d) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

(e) The failure to renew a license by June 30th following the March 31st expiration date shall cause the license to be administratively revoked and subject to reinstatement at the discretion of the board.

(2) Reinstatement of License.

~~(a) A canceled license is a non-current license due to failure to renew the license before April 1st of the renewal year. A canceled license is considered the same as a revocation of said license and subject to reinstatement at the discretion of the Board.~~ A license that is no longer active shall be reinstated by the licensee upon meeting the conditions set by the board.

(b) To reinstate a license the applicant must:

1. submit an application for reinstatement, supplied by the Board;
2. pay the required reinstatement fee;
3. submit proof of having met Continuing Professional Education Requirements.
4. the Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials, as it may deem necessary.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§43-1-4; 43-1-7; 43-1-19; 43-1-25; 43-11A-7; 43-11A-14; 43-11A-15.

(3) Inactive license status

(a) The holder of an active license may request to place the license on inactive status by submitting a written request to the board no later than June 30th following the March 31 expiration date.

(b) The holder of an inactive license that continues to practice is subject to disciplinary action for unlicensed practice.

(c) An inactive license may not be held inactive for longer than two renewal periods and at the end of the second renewal period the inactive license will be considered lapsed.

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(d) An inactive license may be reinstated by application for Reinstatement as provided in Rule 157-2-.04(2).

(e) The holder of an inactive license is required to obtain the required continuing professional education units that are obtained by active licensees.

Dr. Fischer moved and Ms. Wright seconded and the Board voted to adjourn at 11:50 a.m.

Lula Hutchinson, Chair

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Recorded by

Lee Tracey, Executive Director
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